

By the Quene;



He Quene our Soueraine Ladie, understandyng that a multitude of euyl disposed persones, beyng borne out of her highnes dominions in other sundrie nations, fleeing from the obeylaunce of the Princes and rulers vnder whome they be borne, some for heresye, some for murder, treason, robberye, and some for other horrible crimes, be resorted and come into her maesties realme, and here haue made their demour and yet be commoraunt and lyngryng partly to eschewe such condigne punishment, as their sayde horrible crimes deserue, and partlye to dilate, plante and sowe the seedes of their maliciouse doctrine, and lewde conuersation, amonge the good subiectes of this her graces Realme, of purpose to infecte her good subiectes with the lyke, in so muche as besides innumerable heresies, which diuerte of the same beyng heretiques, haue preached and taught, within her highnes sayde Realme. It is as surelye knownen unto her maestie, that not onely their secrete practises haue not fayled to styrre comforste and ayde, diuerte her highnes subiectes, to this most vnnatural rebellion, against god and her grace, but also some other of them, deserte not styl to practise with her people estones to rebell: Her maestie therfore hauyng (as is afore sayde) knowledge and intelligence hercof, hath for remedie herin determined, and most straughtly chargeth and commandeth, that al & every such persone or persons borne out of her highnes dominions, now commoraunte or resiaunte within this Realme, of what soever nation or countrey, beyng eyther preacher, p:rynter, bookesteller, or other artificer or of whatsoever callynge eis, not being denizen, or merchaunt knownen, usyng the trade of merchandise, or seruaunt to suche Ambassadours as be liegers here, from the princes and states ioyned in league with her grace, Shal within xxiiij. dayes after this proclamation, abyde the Realme, vpon paine of moste greuouse punishment by imprisonment, and forfaiture and confiscacon of all theyr goodes and moveables, and also to be delyuered unto their naturall Princes or Rulers, against whose persones or lawes, they haue offended. Scuyng to all maiors, schreves, baillies, constables and other her ministers, officers & good subiectes, straughtly also in charge, ys they know any such persone not borne in the Quenes highnes dominions (except before excepted) that shall after the time and daye limited in this proclamation, tare within thys realme, that they shall apprehende the same persone or persons, and commit hym or them to warde, there to remayne without bayle or mainprise till her graces pleasure or her councilles be signified unto them, for the further order yng of the saide persone or persones. And that ys any of her sayed officers, after the sayed xxiiij. dayes apprehende, take or know of any suche, that they shall with diligence imnediatlye certifie her sayde counsal therof, to shintent order may furthwith be geuen, for their punishment accordyng.

God save the Quene.

Londini in aedibus Iohannis Carvo.li

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